

Computer tutorial on global sensitivity analysis

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Model problem: SIR dynamics with time varying transmission rate

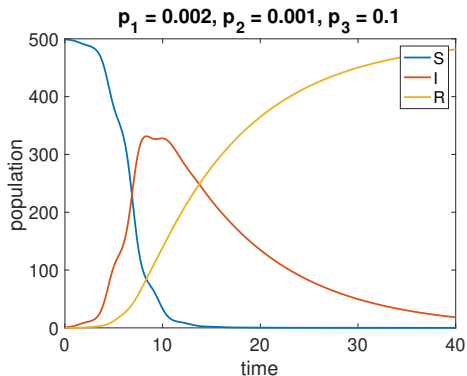
Governing equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta(t)SI & \text{with} & \quad \beta(t) = p_1 + p_2 \sin(t) \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta(t)SI - p_3I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= p_3I\end{aligned}$$

Uncertain parameter vector:

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

DEMO 1: Nominal system parameters



$$S(0) = 499 \quad I(0) = 1 \quad R(0) = 0$$

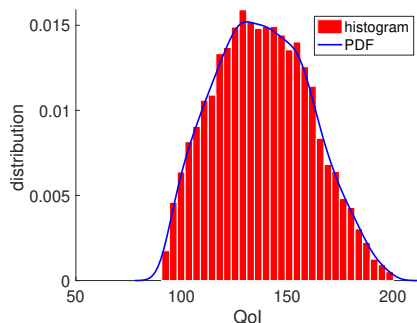
MATLAB: demo_nominal_system.m

DEMO 2: A scalar quantity of interest (QoI)

Parameterize uncertainty in \mathbf{p} using $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ with $x_i \sim U(-1, 1)$

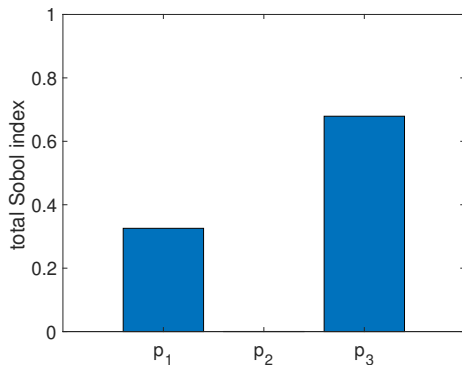
QoI: infected population at a fixed time

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = I(T; \mathbf{x}) \quad \text{with } T = 20$$



MATLAB: demo_sample.m

DEMO 3: Sobol' indices



MATLAB: `demo_sobol_scalar.m`

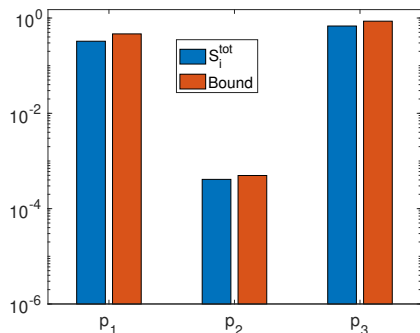
DEMO 4: Derivative based GSA

Inequality:

$$S_i^{\text{tot}}(f) \leq \frac{c}{D} \nu_i(f)$$

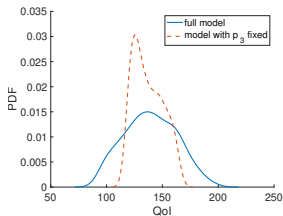
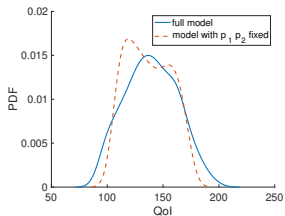
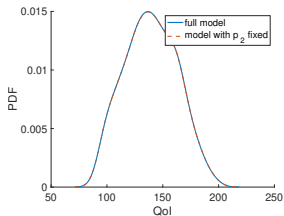
with

$$D = \text{Var}\{f\} \quad \nu_i(f) = \mathbb{E}\left\{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}\right)^2\right\} \quad c = \frac{4}{\pi^2}$$



MATLAB: demo_dgsm.m

DEMO 5: Fixing parameters



Recall the model

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta(t)SI \quad \text{with} \quad \beta(t) = p_1 + p_2 \sin(t)$$

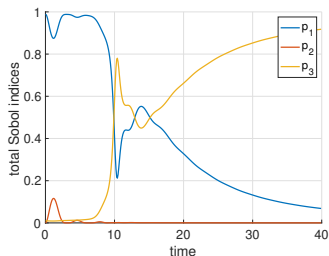
$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta(t)SI - p_3 I$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = p_3 I$$

MATLAB: demo_fixing_var.m

DEMO 6: Sobol' indices over time

Sobol' indices for $I(t; \mathbf{x})$ over time

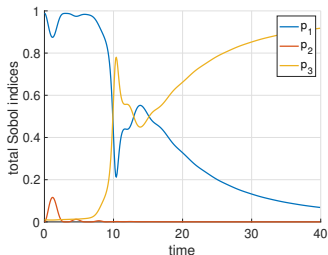


Note: $S_i^{tot}(t)$ = total contribution of i th input to variance **at time** t

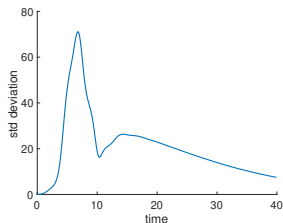
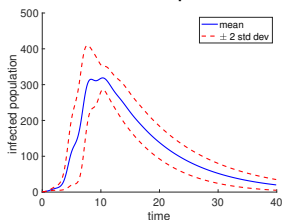
MATLAB demo_sobol_time.m

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variance changes over time \Rightarrow pointwise-in-time Sobol' indices have limited use



MATLAB demo_sobol_time.m

Some suggested computational experiments

- Generate system trajectory with different sets of nominal parameters
- Compute Sobol' indices / DGSMs with different sample sizes
- Change ranges of uncertainty on parameters
- Consider different scalar QoIs (redefine `sir_scalar_qoi.m`)
- Think more about the time-dependent case (look at `demo_sobol_time_generalized.m`)
- Consider different time-dependent QoIs (redefine `sir_timedep_qoi.m`)
- ...

Further reading

Books

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